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2016

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE WORLD DRUG PROBLEM

ACHIEVING THE 2019 GOALS - A BETTER TOMORROW FOR THE WORLD'S YOUTH

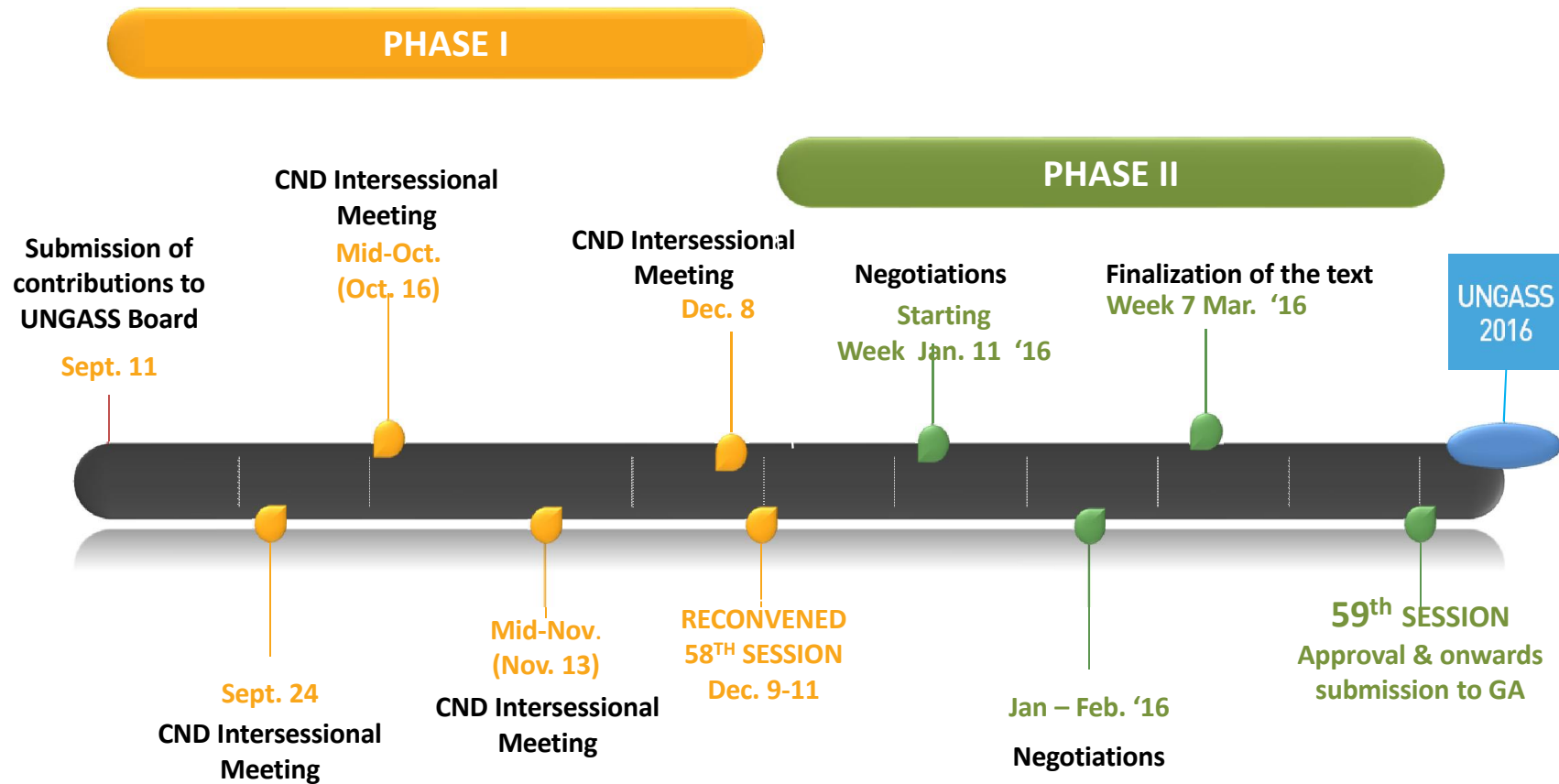


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PROPOSED ORGANIZATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS ROUND TABLES AT UNGASS

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Draft GA Resolution (ECOSOC, 2015/25)

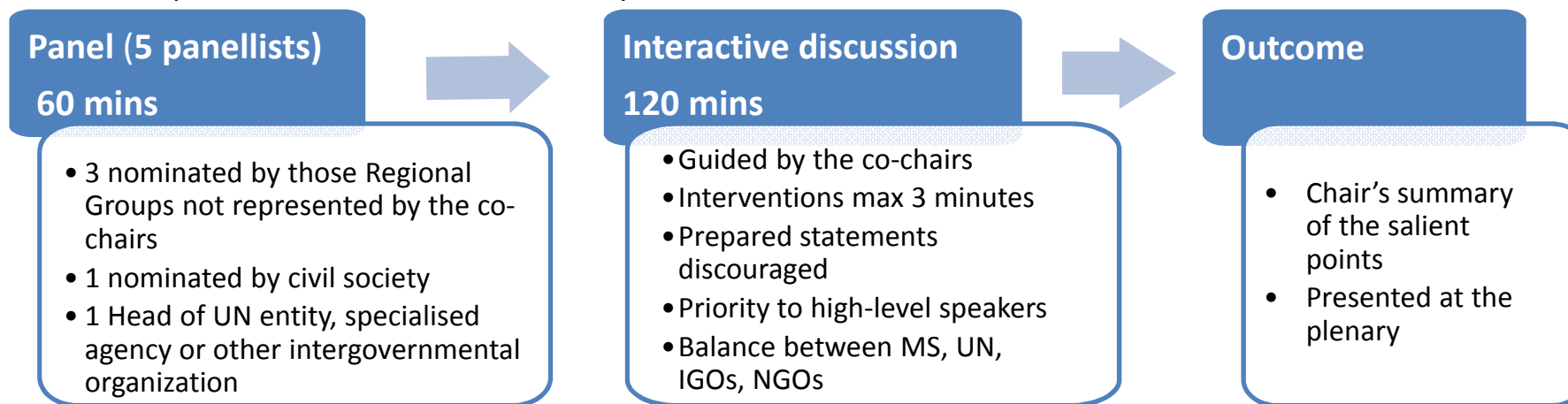
- ❖ The special session shall consist of a general debate and **interactive, multi-stakeholder round tables** conducted in parallel to the plenary
- ❖ The CND, as the entity leading the preparations for the special session, shall address in an **open-ended manner**, supported and guided by the President of the General Assembly, **the organizational arrangements, including chairing arrangements, speakers and participation, for 5 round tables**

Proposed arrangements

Participation: Defined by the room seating plan (conference room 4)

Chairing: 2 co-chairs (one UNGASS Board Member and one Head delegation of another regional group)

Speakers: 5 panellists/roundtable, followed by interventions from the floor



CIVIL SOCIETY PARTICIPATION AT UNGASS

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- ❖ Representatives of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council are invited to participate in the special session in accordance with the rules of procedure and established practice of the General Assembly
- ❖ In accordance with the rules of procedure and practice developed for other special sessions of the General Assembly, the President of the Assembly, in consultation with the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, which will take into consideration inputs from other relevant stakeholders, including civil society, shall draw up a list of representatives of relevant non-governmental organizations, representatives of civil society and the scientific community, academia, youth groups and other relevant stakeholders that may participate in the special session, with due regard to geographical balance

ESTABLISHMENT OF LIST OF REPRESENTATIVES OF ENTITIES WHICH DO NOT HAVE ECOSOC STATUS

- ❖ Consultations ongoing with NY
- ❖ Close cooperation with Civil Society Task Force
- ❖ Application process to be established - Information will be posted on www.ungass2016.org

Arrangements – ACCES TO THE MEETINGS

- ❖ Consultations ongoing with NY
- ❖ Arrangements will be determined in accordance with practices used for General Assembly meetings



SIDE EVENTS AT UNGASS

Side Events will take place on **the day preceding UNGASS (18 April)**, as well as **during the special session (19-21 April)**

GENERAL ARRANGEMENTS

- ❖ The capacity of rooms **limited**
- ❖ Topics to be **thematically relevant** to the UNGASS
- ❖ The **number of events per organizer may be limited** and events on the same or a similar topic **may be encouraged to merge**
- ❖ **Standard UN charges will apply** for any technical equipment and services requested
- ❖ **UN interpretation** will not be available

APPLICATION PROCESS

- ❖ Application period: **from 1 to 25 February 2016**
- ❖ Only applications received during the application period will be considered
- ❖ “First come, first serve” basis
- ❖ Application form and guidelines – **January 2016** on www.ungass2016.org

Confirmation of the programme of side events will take place two weeks prior to the session



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